## WHAT, IS CLAIMED IS:

A covering for a floor, wall or ceiling surface comprising:

a primary backing in part exposed on one side of the covering for forming discrete wear surface portions of a wear surface of the covering;

a plurality of yarns tufted into said primary backing along remaining parts of said primary backing forming cut or loop yarns on a back side of said primary backing remote from said wear surface, leaving a plurality of backstitches of the tufted yarns along and forming remaining portions of said wear surface; and

a resin fixing said cut or loop pile tufted yarn along the back side of said primary backing;

said backstitches and said primary backing portions exposed along said wear surface having aesthetic characteristics distinguished from one another.

- 2. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein said primary backing is formed of a woven material having an ultraviolet stabilizer.
- 3. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein each said backstitch extends between a pair of needled openings along the wear surface extending along and in engagement with the primary backing throughout substantially the entirety of the extent of the backstitch between said openings.
- 4. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein said backstitches and primary backing portions have different colorings to afford different aesthetic effects.

- 5. A covering according to Claim 1 including an EVA and calcium carbonate layer underlying the resin.
- 6. A covering according to Claim 5 including a secondary backing comprising a scrim embedded in the EVA and calcium carbonate layer.
- 7. A covering according to Claim 6 wherein said scrim comprises a woven polypropylene.
- 8. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein the tufted yarns are of a continuous loop pile construction.
- 9. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein the tufted yarns are of a cut loop pile construction.
- 10. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein said primary backing is formed of a woven material having an ultraviolet stabilizer, said backstitches and primary backing portions having different colorings to afford different aesthetic effects, an EVA and calcium carbonate layer underlying the resin and a secondary backing comprising a scrim embedded in the EVA and calcium carbonate layer.
- 11. A covering according to Claim 10 wherein said scrim comprises a woven polypropylene, and wherein the tufted yarns are of a continuous loop construction.
- 12. A covering according to Claim 10 wherein said scrim comprises a woven polypropylene, and wherein the tufted yarns are of a cut loop construction.
- 13. A covering according to Claim 1 including a secondary backing underlying said resin and secured to said primary backing by said resin,

said secondary backing including a needle-bonded synthetic fiber backing.

- 14. A covering according to Claim 13 wherein said secondary backing includes fibers formed of nylon and polypropylene.
- 15. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein said primary backing comprises a non-woven material formed of synthetic fibers.
- 16. A covering according to Claim 15 wherein said non-woven fiber materials comprise nylon and polyester bonded to one another.
- 17. A covering according to Claim 15 wherein said resin comprises a precoat of polyvinylchloride to fix the cut or loop yarns and a main polyvinylchloride coating having a fiberglass stabilizer underlying the precoat.
- 18. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein the covering comprises broadloom carpeting.
- 19. A covering according to Claim 1 wherein the covering comprises modular carpeting.
  - 20. A covering for a floor, wall or ceiling surface comprising:

a woven primary backing having tufted and non-tufted portions on one side thereof exposed for forming discrete wear surface portions of a wear surface of the covering;

said tufted portions including a plurality of yarns tufted into said primary backing and formed of cut or loop yarns on a back side of said primary backing remote from said wear surface, leaving a plurality of backstitches of the tufted yarns along and forming part of said wear surface; and

a resin fixing said cut or loop tufted yarns along the back side of said primary backing;

said non-tufted portions comprising warp and weft yarns of said primary backing;

said tufted and non-tufted portions of said primary backing exposed along said wear surface having aesthetic characteristics distinguished from one another.